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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Director's Conversation with Senator Richard Russell**

This morning the Director told me that on Friday, 3 October, he had a talk with Senator Russell and reviewed the problem of our appearance before the Symington Subcommittee. According to the Director, Senator Russell seemed to understand all the aspects of the problem but offered no specific guidance. Senator Russell did reveal that last year Senator Symington had appealed to Russell for authority to conduct such an investigation under the auspices of the Armed Services Committee but had been turned down. The Director got the impression that Senator Russell now feels that, having turned down Symington's original request, he is in a poor position to object to Symington's current investigation under the auspices of the Foreign Relations Committee.



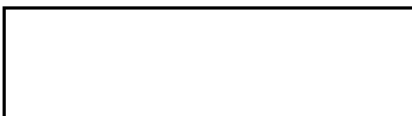
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